

# Instructions

Welcome to the Mountain Gateway Museum. We hope you can help us.

Sam, our “guard bear” has left a series of riddles to solve but we haven’t been able to yet. Sam is starting to tease us about it.

Can you answer these riddles for us? You can write the answer on the line provided, or take a selfie next to the artifact or picture, and share them with #summerwithsam.

If you can solve them all, we have a special prize for you.

## Good Luck!

*The Mountain Gateway Museum is the western regional museum for the North Carolina Division of State history Museums.*



*We are responsible for interpreting and preserving the history, culture, and traditions of the 38 counties that comprise Western North*



# Summer



## with

# Sam



## *Rail Road Exhibit*

◆ Stop, go, should I move slow?  
These are answers, trains need to  
know. A long time back, I lit up the  
track. Swinging me around, helped  
the driver know the lowdown.

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## *Udder-ly Amazing*

◆ Butter, ice cream, and cheese. Milk  
helps make all of these. We make  
milk too, but we do not say moo.

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◆ It is important to keep a lot of dairy  
cold. If it stays out too long it will get  
too old. How did people store it, a  
long time ago? If you find me, you  
will be in the know.

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## *Waking Rip Van Winkle*

◆ While I am shiny, I am not properly  
seen. Do you think I am an emerald,  
just because I am green? Named for  
the person who discovered me; they  
could not just let me be.

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◆ Underground, it is dark as night.  
We need to find a way to make it  
bright. We drill into rock walls, wear  
things on our heads. Can you find  
what two objects kept the dark out  
and light the way instead?

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## *Moonshine*

◆ Named for an animal who likes to  
eat dirt. I help with important work. I  
stay in the water and the vapors  
come through. And then you get the  
beverage, named partly for the moon.

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## *Botany of Medicine*

◆ Vitamin C that you get from a tree?  
You bet, that's me! I grow all over the  
state. And during Christmas, my  
branches you can decorate.

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## *Cure for What Ails You*

◆ You enjoy me as a sugary drink.  
But at one point, the inventor  
claimed I helped you think. I helped  
with nerves and energy too. But now  
we know, a lot of me is not good for  
you.

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## *Cabins*

◆ How many rooms do you think I  
hold? I hold most of the rooms in  
your home, or so I am told.  
Fireplaces for heating, open windows  
for a/c. Many early families built me.

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